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Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
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Re: Application of MCG Capital Corporation, IDS Telecom and IDS Telecom, LLC for a Joint Application for Authority to Complete an Assignment of Assets and to Grant Authority to IDS Telecom Corporation to Provide Local Exchange and Interexchange Services, for Alternative and Flexible Regulation (SCPSC Docket No. 2005-26-C)

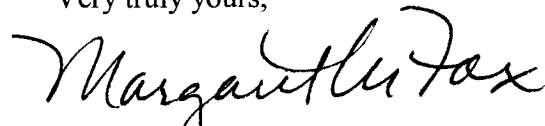
Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed for filing on behalf of the South Carolina Telephone Coalition an original and ten (10) copies of a Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket. By copy of this letter and Certificate of Service appended to the Petition, I am serving all parties of record.

Please clock in a copy of the Petition and return it by our courier.

Should you have any questions with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

  
Margaret M. Fox

Enclosures

cc: John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire  
Florence P. Belser, Esquire

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Alternative and Flexible Regulation )

**PETITION TO  
INTERVENE**

In response to the Commission's Notice of the Filing in the above-captioned docket, the South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC") submits the within Petition to Intervene in this proceeding. In support of its Petition, SCTC would respectfully show unto this honorable Commission that:

1. SCTC is a coalition of local exchange telephone companies organized and doing business under the laws of the State of South Carolina. SCTC's members are telephone companies or telephone cooperatives subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

2. SCTC seeks to intervene in this proceeding with full rights to participate as a party of record insofar as its interests might appear.

3. SCTC's individual member companies provide local exchange telephone service within their respective geographic service areas. SCTC's position in this docket is that statewide certification of new entrant public interest. The Application, as currently drafted, would potentially impact each of the SCTC member companies and, therefore, the SCTC has an interest in this proceeding.

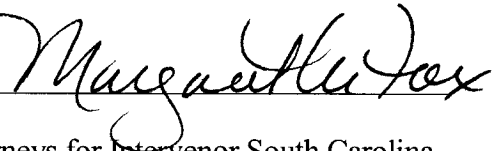
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4. Correspondence and communications to SCTC with respect to this proceeding should be directed to the undersigned counsel.

WHEREFORE, the South Carolina Telephone Coalition respectfully requests that this honorable Commission permit its intervention in this proceeding as its interests might appear.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: 

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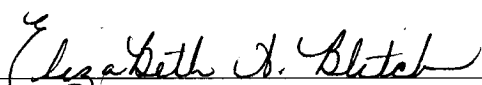
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**CERTIFICATE OF  
SERVICE**

I, ElizaBeth A. Blich, do hereby certify that I have this date served one (1) copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene upon the following party of record by causing said copy to be deposited with the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid to:

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